CLAIMS:

1.   A method for calculating a measure, said method comprising:

receiving a request to calculated a measure, said measure associated with one or more requested levels;

determining at least one allocated level for the measure;

selecting a first star from a first stargroup associated with the measure, wherein the first star supports the at least one allocation level for the measure; and

selecting a second star from a second stargroup associated with a control measure, wherein the second star supports the one or more requested levels.

2.   The method of claim 1, wherein determining at least one allocated level further comprises:

comparing the requested levels to a lowest level star in the first stargroup; and

selecting for each requested level, a minimum of the requested level and a corresponding one of one or more dimension levels associated with the star.

3.   The method of claim 1, further comprising:

calculating the measure for the allocated levels;

and

calculating the control measure for the requested

5 levels.

4.   The method of claim 1, wherein determining the

allocated levels further comprises:

determining the allocated levels wherein no star

10 exists which supports the measure at the requested levels.

5.   The method of claim 1, wherein the control

measure is a predetermined measure associated with the

measure.

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6.   A computer readable medium for storing a

plurality of instructions for calculating a measure, said

plurality of instructions comprising:

receiving a request to calculated a measure, said

20 measure associated with one or more requested levels;

determining at least one allocated level for the

measure;

selecting a first star from a first stargroup associated with the measure, wherein the first star supports the at least one allocation level for the measure; and

5   selecting a second star from a second stargroup associated with a control measure, wherein the second star supports the one or more requested levels.

7.   The computer readable medium of claim 6, wherein

10   the plurality of instructions comprising determining at least one allocated level further comprises:

comparing the requested levels to a lowest level star in the first stargroup; and

selecting for each requested level, a minimum of

15   the requested level and a corresponding one of one or more dimension levels associated with the star.

8.   The computer readable medium of claim 6, wherein the plurality of instructions further comprises:

20   calculating the measure for the allocated levels; and

calculating the control measure for the requested levels.

9.   The computer readable medium of claim 6, wherein the plurality of instructions comprising determining the allocated levels further comprises:

5   determining the allocated levels wherein no star exists which supports the measure at the requested levels.

10.   The computer readable medium of claim 6, wherein the control measure is a predetermined measure associated

10   with the measure.